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INFORMATION DECODING APPARATUS,
AND METHOD AND PROGRAM FOR THE
SAME

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present application, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Listing of the Claims begins on page 10 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 28 of this paper.